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- 11. Post offers the following input for the Department's use in preparing the reports requested in the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA):
- ¶A. The Political/Economic Section handles energy matters. The total number of staff in the section when fully staffed consists of 5 FSOs, 2 full-time Eligible Family Members (EFMs), and 5 Locally Engaged Staff (LES), all handling a variety of portfolios.
- 1B. Political and Economic staff worked on energy issues in calendar year 2007 as follows:

one Political/Economic Section Chief: 5 percent one Economic and Commercial Officer: 10 percent one Economic LES: 10 percent one Economic LES: 5 percent

- <u>1</u>C. The Political/Economic Section monitors and reports on developments in the energy sector, including electricity, natural gas, oil, solar power, and biofuels. Reporting on transparency and anti-corruption issues includes the energy sector, particularly the highly subsidized electricity companies. Commercially, the LES handle inquiries from U.S. businesses seeking to invest in the energy sector in Tanzania, and assist with scheduling meetings for investors, including large U.S. corporations, to meet with Government of Tanzania officials.
- 1D. Budget: The Political/Economic Section does not have designated State Department funds to support energy-related activities.
- -- personnel costs: the prorated estimated salary costs of the two FSOs and the two LES who work part-time on energy issues totals USD 12,407 per annum.
- -- programs: post currently has no energy-related programs that are funded.

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